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**Closure of the Semidi Island Overlap Section of the Kodiak District
to Commercial Tanner Crab Fishing**

Emergency Order 4-S-06-18

All waters of the Semidi Island Overlap Section of the Kodiak District will close to commercial Tanner crab fishing at 11:59 p.m. March 6, 2018. Catch reports indicate a closure in this area is warranted due to low Tanner crab abundance and declining fishery performance.

All pots must be open and unbaited at the time of the closure. Unbaited pots may be stored in waters greater than 25 fathoms in depth for 72 hours after the closure. After 72 hours, all pots must be removed from the water or placed in waters 25 fathoms in depth or less.

For additional information, contact ADF&G in Kodiak at (907) 486-1840.

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